

# SCHOOL YEAR 1999-00 ENROLLMENT OVERVIEW

## Elementary Enrollment

After climbing for more than ten years, elementary enrollment in Montana's schools has declined over the past six years. The 1999-00 elementary enrollment has declined 9,251 students in six years.

## High School Enrollment

High school enrollment climbed for 10 years in a row through 1998-99 by nearly 9,000 students, benefiting from the elementary increases of prior years. The decline began this year, with high school enrollment dropping 381 students in 1999-00.

## American Indian Percentage

American Indian students now comprise 10.4 percent of the total student population. At the elementary level, they represent 11.3 percent of the population and at the high school level, 8.4 percent.

## Nonpublic School Enrollment Data

Private and home school enrollment represented 7.2 percent of the reported 1999-00 K-12 enrollment in Montana. Nonpublic enrollment increased by about 181 students from last year. Home school enrollment increased by approximately 35 students and private schools by 146.

	Gr K-8	Gr 9-12	Total 99-00
Private Schools	6,716	2,102	8,818
Home Schools	2,614	803	3,447
Total nonpublic	9,360	2,905	12,265

## Graduates

In 1999, 10,925 students graduated from Montana public high schools. That number is 94 percent of the senior class enrolled in the fall of 1998. An additional 1,278 16-to-19 year-old Montanans obtained their GEDs during that time.

## School District Data

K-12 districts .....	55
Combined districts (joint board) .....	105
Single districts (179 el, 5 hs) .....	184
Non-operating districts .....	3
Total District Administrative Units .....	347

## School Data

Elementary Schools .....	486
Middle, 7&8, Junior High Schools .....	221
High Schools .....	173
Total Schools .....	880

## Full-Time Equivalent Certified Staff (FTE)

Teachers - classroom, Title I, Special Ed .....	10,353
Specialists - library, guidance counselors .....	777
Principals, assistant principals .....	496
Superintendents, assistant superintendents .....	148
Other central office administrators .....	140
Special Education directors, school psychologists .....	90
Total certified staff .....	12,004



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## This booklet

This booklet provides detailed public school enrollment data by county, school, grade, and gender. The legal entity code identifies a school district. If that code is repeated, the district has more than one school. This booklet does not identify school districts by name, but the district name and legal entity code (LE) can be found in the *Directory of Montana Schools* [example: Roundup High School (0811)].